

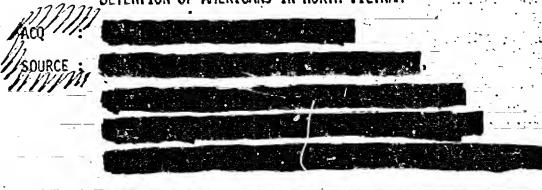
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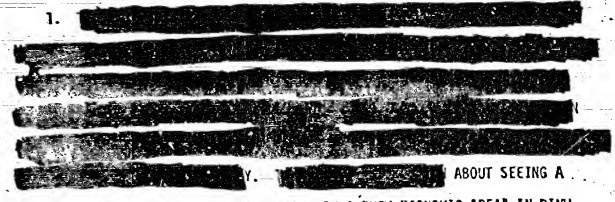
COUNTRY: VIETNAM

DOI: : SEPTEMBER 1975 - JANUARY 1976

SUBJECT: AMERICANS REMAINING IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND

DETENTION OF AMERICANS IN NORTH VIETNAM

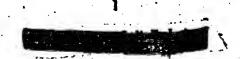




CAUCASIAN MALE WHO MAY BE AN AMERICAN, IN A "NEW ECONOMIC AREA" IN DINH
QUAN DISTRICT, LONG KHANH PROVINCE.

SAID THAT THE "AMERICAN" WORE TATTERED CLOTHES, HAD NO
WEAPON, AND WAS "VERY MISERABLE." THE "AMERICAN" OBTAINED HIS FOOD FROM
A SETTLER IN THE AREA. (NO FURTHER

DETAILS ON THIS CAUCASIAN, WHOSE NAME IS UNKNOWN. THE COMMUNIST



AUTHORITIES HAVE OPENED SEVERAL RURAL AREAS FOR SETTLEMENT AND CULTIVATION BY RESIDENTS FROM SAIGON AND OTHER URBAN AREAS. THESE AREAS ARE CALLED "NEW ECONOMIC AREAS.")

SAW CAUCASIANS, WHO HE ASSUMED

WERE AMERICANS, IN SAIGON. DESCRIBED THEM AS WITHOUT FUNDS AND

WORKING AS PEDICAB DRIVERS. DID NOT PROVIDE

THE NUMBER, NAMES, OR PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF THESE PEDICAB DRIVERS.

ACCORDING TO FIR-317/09152-76 , ONE AMERICAN WHO SPOKE

VIETNAMESE WAS SEEN DRIVING A PEDICAB IN LATE 1975 IN SAIGON. THERE ARE

APPROXIMATELY 50 AMERICANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS KNOWN TO BE LIVING IN SAIGON

AT THIS TIME.)

THE INSTRUCTOR, (FNU) RAN Y (PHONETIC), AT A REEDUCATION

COURSE HELD

IN SAIGON, TOLD

AND THE

ATTENDEES THAT "A NUMBER" OF AMERICANS WERE

BEING HELD IN HANOI PENDING THE SETTLEMENT OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S.

ON AMERICAN RECONSTRUCTION AID TO VIETNAM. THE INSTRUCTOR SAID THAT THE

VIETNAMESE WERE "NOT STUPID" AND WOULD HOLD THESE AMERICANS UNTIL THE

THREE BILLION DOLLARS IN PROMISED AID WAS RECEIVED.

THE PURPOSE OF THE COURSE



INSTRUCTOR WAS TO INDICATE THAT THE VIETNAMESE KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH AMERICANS. AT THE TIME THIS COURSE WAS GIVEN, NINE AMERICANS, WHO HAD BEEN CAPTURED IN BAN ME THUOT IN APRIL 1975, WERE BEING HELD IN HAMOI. THESE AMERICANS WERE SUBSEQUENTLY RELEASED.)

